**Cathy Van Saun Writing Lesson 6**

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| **Course: Earth Science** |
| **Topic: “Science” Fiction Writing** |
| **Type of Writing: Formal (level 3)** |
| **Timeframe: 3 weeks** |
| **Plan: Students will write a “science” fiction story using the science they learned this year.**   * **Students will read “Neutron Star” by Larry Niven, analyze it for the 6 traits of writing, and see how science is an integral part of the story.** * **They will brainstorm to develop a list of potential topics.** * **They will write an outline and their lab partner will read it and make suggestions.** * **They will fill out an inventory to help keep on task, and revise their stories as needed.** * **Students will submit their revised rough draft to be checked.** * **Students will polish and correct their stories for grading (using a 6 trait rubric) and publication.** * **Students may resubmit their stories to improve their grades.** |
| **Materials: “Neutron Star” by Larry Niven, “Science” Fiction Writing Project handouts, 6 Trait rubric** |